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PROCEEDINGS
OF
THE ROYAL GEOGRAPHICAL SOCIETY
OF LONDON.

SESSION 1862-63.

Eighth Meeting, Monday, March 9th, 1863.

SIR RODERICK I. MURCHISON, K.C.B., PRESIDENT, in the Chair.

PRESENTATIONS.—*Rowland Hamilton, Esq., the Rev. F. Trestrail, and the Rev. C. R. Gordon, were presented upon their Election.*

ELECTIONS.—*Brigadier-General John R. A. St. George, C.B.; Colonel Charles Sawyer; R. Brinsley Sheridan, M.P.; D. J. Kennelly; A. H. Barford; H. Bayley; John Burns; J. Duncan Campbell; R. R. Carew; Spencer Chapman; Frederick P. Dalgety; J. Vesey Fitzgerald Foster; Frederick Gascoigne; Edward William Jeffreys; George Scovell; George Stanton; and Robert Swinhoe, Esqrs., were elected Fellows.*

ACCESSIONS.—Among the donations to the Library and Map-rooms since the former meeting were—Stanford's New Map of Australia, constructed by A. Keith Johnston; Admiralty Charts, Ordnance Maps, &c. &c.

The PRESIDENT said before calling upon the Secretaries to read the Papers he had a communication to make, giving some slight hopes that Mr. and Mrs. Petherick might be still alive.

A letter had been received by Mr. Lennox Cunningham, of the Foreign Office, from Mr. Sidney Smith Sanders, H.M. Consul at Alexandria, stating that no reliance was placed there upon the incoherent reports of the death of Mr. Petherick, and enclosing a copy of a letter from the wife of a French merchant at Khartûm, dated the 4th of December, in which the writer gave as the latest information of the movements of Consul Petherick and his party that they had passed into the interior of the country with a great many porters, whom they were obliged to manacle at night, and that wishing to cross a branch of a river they might have been upset and drowned; "but," added the writer, "the uncertainty as to their being saved or drowned is still in suspense."

The Secretaries would now read the itineraries of those adventurous Australian explorers, Stuart, Landsborough, and M'Kinlay.